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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

DATE: 26 July 1954

FROM:

Chief, Technical Accounting Staff

SUBJECT:

H.R. 179 - An Act to Authorize Government Agencies to Reimburse Employees for Travel and Transportation Expenses Relative to Movements to Posts of Duty Outside Continental U. S.

1. A meeting was called by Mr. of the Office of General Counsel on 21 July 1954, to obtain the views of other Agency components with respect to the effect H.R. 179, 83rd Congress would have on CIA operations. This bill, at the time of the meeting, had been passed by the HOuse and had been reported to the Senate by the Senate Committee for action in the Senate. The bill had inadvertently escaped the attention of the CIA legislative counsel until after actual enactment by the House. The purpose of the meeting was to determine whether any effort should be made to offer necessary amendments before actual consideration of the bill by the Senate.

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The subject bill would amend Section 7 of the Administrative Expenses Act of 1946 (PL 600). While the bill provides Governmental agencies new authorities with respect to expenses for round-trip travel from posts of duty outside the U.S. to places of residence in the U. S../

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The following comments are made as to the actual authorities which the subject bill will grant and those which cannot be utilized by CIA.

The new bill authorizes expenses of round-trip travel of employees and transportation of immediate family, but excludes household effects, from their posts outside the continental U. S. to places of actual residence at time of appointment or transfer to such overseas posts of duty upon completion of "an agreed period" of service overseas when such employees are taking leave prior to serving another tour of duty, provided a "new written agreement" is entered into before departing for the overseas post

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The new law authorizes the allowance of expenses of transportation of the family and shipment of the household effects of an employee stationed outside the continental U. S. to place of residence prior to the return of the employee to the U. S. in certain specific circumstances. These circumstances include instances when the public interest requires the return of the immediate family "for compelling personal reasons of a humanitarian or compassionate nature."	
The bill provides that when the employee returns his immediate family and household goods to the U.S., including territories and possessions, at his own expense prior to his return for other than reasons of public interest the Government shall reimburse the employee for the return transportation expenses	
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